



National
Academy
for Social
Prescribing

Trustee Recruitment pack



Thank you for your interest in becoming a trustee for the National Academy for Social Prescribing.

About the National Academy for Social Prescribing

The National Academy for Social Prescribing (NASP) is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee. Our aim is to help people live the best lives they can through social prescribing, as set out in our [Strategic Plan](#). Our work includes:

Connecting the social prescribing system, through training, consultancy, resources and our Champions scheme for clinicians and health workers.

Creating innovative partnerships, from local to international - including work with the physical activity, arts and culture, heritage and natural environment sectors, and our International Programme.

Boosting investment for frontline organisations delivering social prescribing, including through our Power of Music Fund and new Shared Investment models.

Building the evidence base, working with nearly 300 academics and experts around the world and publishing 15 thematic evidence reviews to dates.

Raising the profile of social prescribing through national campaigns, webinars, conferences, digital communications and the media.

Social prescribing is already making a huge contribution to the nation's health and wellbeing, and NASP is at the forefront of its development in England and across the world. Our [Future of Social Prescribing](#) report sets out the progress that has been made and priorities for the next five years.



It's changed my life - and that's all through social prescribing and the people I've met.
- Linda

About the role

Role Overview

Salary

Voluntary - unpaid. Reasonable expenses where applicable (e.g. travel) will be reimbursed.

Time commitment

Six Board meetings a year, including one Board away day. Subcommittee meetings by agreement meeting four to six times a year.

Terms of service

Initial three-year term. Board members can be re-appointed to the Board of Trustees up to a maximum of two terms.

Location

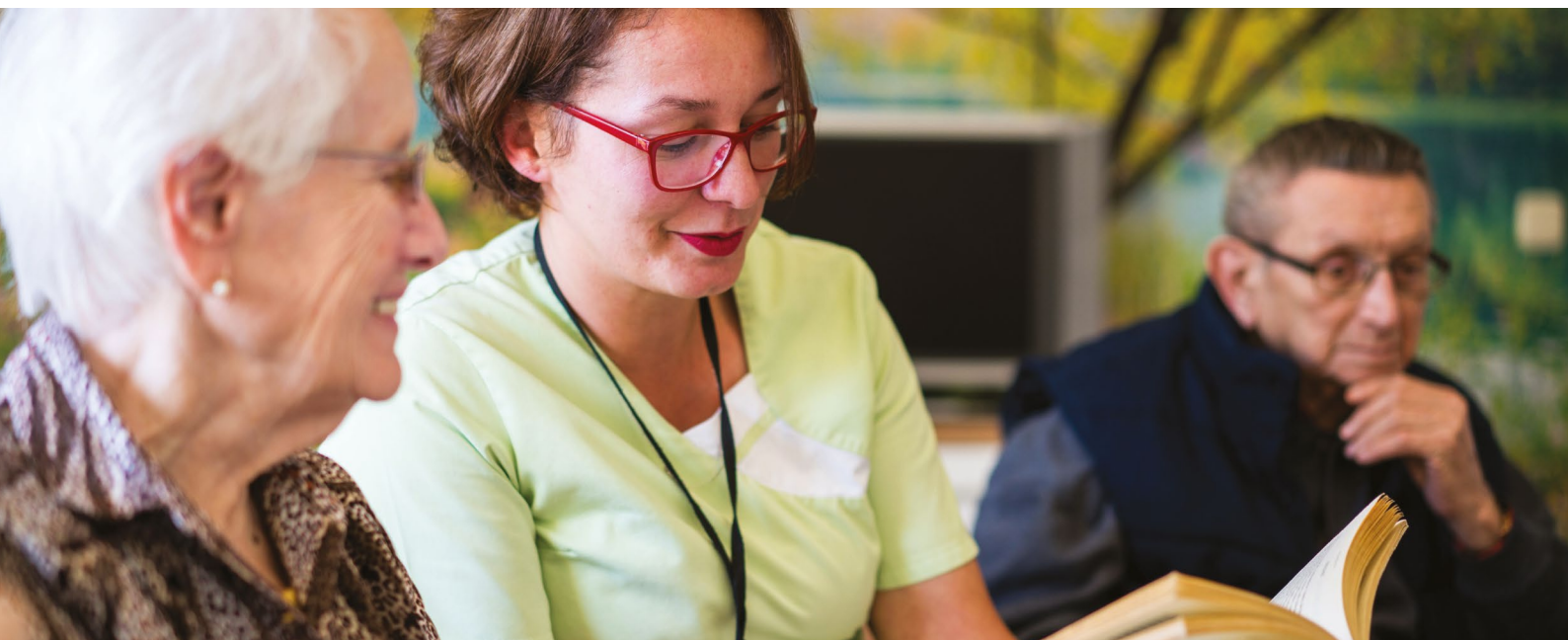
Hybrid - Board and Subcommittee meetings are either in-person at the Southbank Centre, London, in other venues around the country or remote.

Summary of trustee role

As a trustee, you will be jointly responsible with the rest of the NASP board for the overall governance and strategic direction of the National Academy for Social Prescribing, developing its aims, objectives and goals in accordance with charity and company legal and regulatory requirements.

The board of trustees ensures that NASP has sufficient resources to deliver our mission and that our resources are managed effectively, to protect the wealth and assets of the organisation. You will be legally responsible for the assets and debts of NASP, as a registered company and charity.

NASP are seeking experienced candidates capable of advocating for social prescribing at a senior/national level for this high-profile role.



Trustee Responsibilities

- Ensuring that NASP complies with guidelines, legislation and any other legislation or regulations.
- Making sure that NASP pursues defined goals in line with its stated objectives and strategic plan.
- Monitoring the financial position and ensuring that it operates within its means and that there are clear lines of accountability for financial management.
- Ensuring that the resources of the organisation are used only to pursue legitimate objectives.
- Contributing to the board of trustees' role of providing strategic direction and supporting the development of policies, goals and targets.
- Maintaining the good name of the organisation.
- Making sure that the administration is carried out efficiently.
- Ensuring the financial stability of an organisation.
- Scrutinising board papers and other communications.
- Using specific expertise to assist in certain areas, such as public relations, lived experience, stakeholder relationships, health and safety.
- Participating in working groups as necessary.
- Attending seminars and networking events when required.
- Leading discussions and providing guidance on new initiatives, particularly in areas where the Trustee has specific skills, knowledge or expertise.
- Maintaining confidentiality about any sensitive or confidential information received in the course of duties as a trustee.
- Regularly attending and taking a full part in meetings.

We particularly welcome candidates with experience in:

- Public affairs and political influencing at the highest level.
- Leadership of organisations operating in complex environments, especially the physical activity, natural environment and research sectors.
- Commercial skills, business development and income generation.
- Clinical leadership.
- Community development and leadership of 'grassroots' charitable and community organisations.
- Leadership for equality, diversity and inclusion.



Recruitment at NASP

At NASP, we are passionate about creating an inclusive workplace that promotes and values diversity. We know that different ideas, perspectives and backgrounds create a stronger and more creative work environment which means that we welcome applications irrespective of people's age, disability, sex, gender identity and gender expression, race or ethnicity, religion or belief, sexual orientation, or other personal circumstances. We also welcome applications from neurodiverse candidates.

We seek to support candidates with relevant lived experience, recognising that first-hand experience of what NASP seeks to achieve around social prescribing is just as valuable as employment history.

We have processes and policies in place to ensure that all applications are treated fairly throughout the recruitment process and that we make reasonable adjustments for those who require it.

How to apply

Please send a summary CV (no more than two pages), along with a short covering note outlining why you are interested in NASP, to recruitment@nasp.info by **12:00 (midday) on Monday 22nd April**. NASP have the right to bring the application deadline forward as they deem fit. Interviews will be held in mid-May. Note that any appointment will be subject to references.

If you would like more information about the role or organisation, please contact us via email on recruitment@nasp.info.

Please note that any personal data you share will be treated confidentially and will only be used for recruitment purposes.